

**SALEM COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS  
DECEMBER 21, 2005 MEETING MINUTES**

At 7:31 PM, Director Charles R. Sullivan opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Director Sullivan stated the meeting was in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

On roll call, the following Freeholders were present: Lee R. Ware, Beth E. Timberman, Bruce L. Bobbitt, R. Benjamin Simmermon, Jr., C. David Sparks, Jr., Susan A. Bestwick and Charles R. Sullivan. A quorum was present.

Motion was made by Mr. Ware that the reading of the Minutes of the December 7, 2005 meeting be dispensed with and that the Minutes be received, approved and recorded in the Minute Book. Mr. Bobbitt seconded his motion. The motion to accept the minutes carried by hand vote of all.

No motion was requested for waiver of the Rules of the Board.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Resolution No. 2005-478

Resolution Granting Members of the Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders the Same Salary Adjustments for Cost of Living Adjustments Granted to Non-Union Salem County Employees

Motion was made by Mr. Ware to open the public hearing with Mr. Bobbitt seconding the motion with affirmative hand vote of all. There was no public comment. Motion was made by Mr. Ware to close the public hearing with Mr. Bobbitt seconding the motion with common consent of all. Motion was made by Mr. Ware to adopt Resolution 2005-478 with Mr. Simmermon seconding the motion with roll call vote of five affirmative and Mr. Sparks and Mrs. Bestwick both voting nay.

**SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS**

Citations Congratulating Inductees to the Salem County Sports Hall of Fame were read.

Michael Jon Widger - Pro Football Inductee  
Olaf "Butch" Drozdov - Athlete Inductee in football, track and wrestling  
Herb Bacon - Coach Inductee at Pennsville High School  
McCarthy Brothers - Special Team Inductee  
Howard "Baldy" Harris, III - Rodeo Champion Inductee  
Pennsville state Baseball Champs - Team Inductees  
Schalick Soccer Group/State Champs - Team Inductees  
Rowland "Wimpy" Warfle – Fan of the Year  
Howard Shinn – Fan of the Year

Citation Honoring Bishop Ezekial Rolle for His Many Years of Dedicated Service to the County of Salem was read.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**GENERAL**

Frank J. Cianfrani, Chief, Regulatory Branch, US Army Corps of Engineers – Public Notice to solicit comments and recommendations concerning issuance of a Department of the Army permit for work located at the following areas:

- Indian River, Warwick Cove Marina, Sussex County, DE

Robert Grzyb, Director, Office of Finance, Department of Human Services – letter formally announcing the approval of the calendar year 2006 Private Patient Rates to private paying patients in State psychiatric hospitals and developmental center, as well as those receiving services under State residential functional service programs

Passaic County – resolution opposing the Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Fish and Wildlife Management 's proposed bear hunt for early December 2005 as well as any subsequent hunts

Thomas D. Cappetti, Jr., Associate, Richard A. Alaimo Association of Engineers – letter advising that the Salem County Utilities Authority is submitting an application for a permit or approval to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to either establish the boundary of freshwater wetlands or authorize the Utilities Authority to conduct regulated activities on property located at McKillip Road and Welchville Road in Alloway Township

Steven H. Caltabiano – letter of resignation as a member of the Salem County Utilities Authority

Dante Rieti, Executive Director, Cumberland/Salem Workforce Investment Board – letter of potential appointments to the Cumberland/Salem Workforce Investment Board (WIB)

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

For the Month of November

Adjuster

Emergency Services

Shelter of Hope Population Report

Southern Railroad Company of New Jersey

Veterans Services & Interment

Weights & Measures

### **COMMITTEE/COMMISSION MINUTES**

Salem Community College Board of Trustees October 31<sup>st</sup> and November 10<sup>th</sup> minutes and the list of regular meetings for the year 2006

Library Commission November 21<sup>st</sup> Minutes

Transportation Advisory Council for the Office on Aging November 21<sup>st</sup> Minutes

Motion was made by Mr. Ware that the Correspondence, Departmental Reports, and Committee/Commission Minutes be received and filed with Mr. Bobbitt seconding his motion, which carried by hand vote of all.

### **PAYMENT OF BILLS & CLAIMS**

Motion was made by Mr. Ware that all Bills and Claims, when properly signed and audited, be paid and charged to their respective accounts. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bobbitt, which carried by hand vote of all.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Motion was made by Mr. Ware that the Treasurer's Report be received, filed and made available to the public. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bobbitt, which carried by hand vote of all.

The Clerk of the Board/Administrator read the resolutions in block by committee with Board concurrence.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – Sullivan, Ware, Bobbitt**

R2005-504 Finance Resolution Cancellation of Check (Check # - 41766)

R2005-505 Finance Resolution Cancellation of Check (Check # - 38923)

R2005-506 Finance Resolution Cancellation of Check (Check # -41772)

R2005-507 Finance Resolution Requesting Transfer of Funds (Total - \$142,200.00)

R2005-508 Finance Resolution Correcting Cancellation of Grant Balances

R2005-509 Resolution Setting Job Classification Titles and Salary Ranges for 2005

Mr. Ware moved for adoption of the six resolutions with Mr. Bobbitt seconding his motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE –Simmermon, Ware, Bestwick**

No business came before this committee at this meeting.

**COUNTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – Bestwick, Sullivan, Sparks**

No business came before this committee at this meeting.

**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – Sparks, Timberman, Simmermon**

R2005-510 Resolution Authorizing Execution of Contract between the Salem County Inter-Agency Council of Human Services and the County of Salem

R2005-511 Resolution for the Appointment of a Member to the Salem County Mental Health Board (Dr. Alan Greenberg)

Mr. Sparks moved for adoption of these two resolutions with Ms. Timberman seconding his motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolutions carried a hand vote of 7/0.

**JUDICIARY COMMITTEE – Ware, Bobbitt, Simmermon**

R2005-512 Resolution of the Board of Chosen Freeholders Executing and Accepting a Grant from the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice for the Prosecutor's Office

Mr. Ware moved for adoption of this resolution with Mr. Bobbitt seconding his motion. The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution carried a hand vote of 7/0.

**PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE – Timberman, Sullivan, Bestwick**

No business came before this committee at this meeting.

**ROAD & BRIDGE COMMITTEE – Bobbitt, Timberman, Sparks**

No business came before this committee at this meeting.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** No unfinished business came before the committee at this meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS** No new business came before the committee at this meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Glendon Coleman of 89 Aldine-Shirley Road, Elmer, presented a complaint of slow road repairs affecting his business. The Freeholder Director requested Freeholder Bobbitt, Road and Bridges Committee Chair, to review the situation. Mr. Bobbitt stated he would meet with Mr. Coleman that week.

Ms. Shirley Manahan read a prepared statement from the Salem County GOP Chairwoman, Rita Shade, praising the tenure of Freeholder David Sparks.

Mr. Emerson Eisele of Upper Pittsgrove Township suggested that the road repair problems detailed by Mr. Coleman were another reason to create the post of a county environmental commissioner.

**CLOSED SESSION** There was no closed session business to come before the board.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Mr. Ware moved for adjournment of the meeting, with Mr. Bobbitt seconding his motion. With the motion properly moved, seconded and approved by all members, the meeting adjourned at 7:58PM.

Editorial note: High background noise, on the audio tape for this meeting, was due to a State network switch cooling fan which was adjacent to the taping system microphone.